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Great News: MIIA Board of Directors Approves an AWARD of \$5 Million in Participation Credits for MIIA Members

April 14, 2015

Dear MIIA Member:

It gives us great pleasure to write to you with great news from MIIA – we are contacting you and all MIIA members to inform you of your share of the \$5 million in MIIA participation credits that we announced earlier this year.

MIIA's participation credits are returned to members who belong to one or more MIIA program during the current fiscal year (ending June 30, 2015). These new credits are *in addition* to all other credits and discounts you will receive as part of your renewal pricing for July 1, 2015. Participation credits structured to recognize the long-term loyalty and commitment of MIIA's members. Because of MIIA's stability and strength, we have been able to distribute a total of \$27.5 million in additional participation credits since 2009! Below you will see the amount of the new participation credit granted to you by MIIA, and a credit note for that amount is included:

Chilmark, Town of Program Credit: \$(24,749.00)

While future distribution of these credits is not guaranteed, this latest participation credit is a reflection of the MIIA Board's ongoing practice of reviewing the program's financial position on a quarterly basis. With advice from its actuaries and management, the Board determines if additional credits can be provided to the members. The MIIA Board is comprised of local officials who undertake this process very seriously because they are keenly aware of the difficult financial conditions that cities and towns face.

We at MIIA seek to embrace both the long-term financial health of the MIIA program *and* our members' need for high-quality coverage at the most affordable price. To that end, at each of its meetings, the MIIA Board reviews the pool's financial picture, looking at past and present performance to determine if additional credits can be provided. If sufficient contingency reserves are available, determined after a thorough review with MIIA's actuaries, the Board will release funds through participation credits.

For most members, these credits have typically offset all or a significant portion of any increase in premium contributions. Because losses have continued to increase in the workers' compensation area, particularly in more recent years, we recognize these additional participation credits may not fully cover the workers' compensation rate changes, which is why the members of the MIIA Board of Directors have implemented

this strategy to review our ability to maximize credits on a regular basis throughout the entire year.

The bottom line and most important point is that MIIA's costs continue to be well below commercial insurance alternatives, and the announcement of this new \$5 million in participation credits enhances MIIA's value to you and the communities of Massachusetts!

We are extremely pleased to be able to offer these cost-saving measures and real-dollar savings. As always, your participation and commitment to MIIA is very much appreciated!

Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

Ira Singer Chairman, MIIA Town Administrator,

Ja S. Sugger

Town of Middleton

Geoffrey Beckwith President, MIIA Executive Director, MMA Stanley J. Corcoran
Executive Vice President,

MIIA



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Property & Casualty Credit Invoice

TO:

Chilmark, Town of

P.O. Box 119

Chilmark, MA 02535

INVOICE NUMBER 201400872903

INVOICE DATE

04/10/2015

POLICY NUMBER CH100087-14

INVOICE TOTAL

\$(24,749)

POLICY INFORMATION

Type of Policy:

Group Pool Coverages

Insurance Company:

MIIA Property And Casualty Group, Inc.

Transaction:

Credit Billing

Transaction Date:

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Join us for a workshop this spring!

The ATFC is offering 3 educational opportunities across the state this spring.

There is no charge, but we do ask you to pre-register.

Other local officials are welcome to attend; please spread the word.

Thursday, May 14 MMA Office, Boston

11:30 a.m.

Check-In, Sandwiches and Beverages

11:45 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

State Budget and OPEB Update

Speakers: TBA

Thursday, May 14 Hadley DPW Building, Lexington

5:00 p.m.

Check-In, Sandwiches and Beverages

5:30 -7:00 p.m.

Managing Your Debt and Credit

This workshop is designed to be a primer on municipal capital planning and debt management for finance committees. It will touch upon debt management policies and what ratings agencies look for when evaluating municipalities; and debt-related questions finance committees should be asking their municipal finance officials.

Speaker: Cinder McNerney, Swampscott Finance Committee and Managing Director at First Southwest Company

Thursday, May 28 Amherst Town Hali

5:00 p.m.

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5:30 -7:00 p.m.

Budgeting for Capital Expenses

This workshop will be a follow-up to last year's session on budgeting for capital expenses. Sample spreadsheets will be handed out and discussed along with several of the most challenging aspects of this process. Attendees will have an opportunity to review their plans and ask or offer help towards the end of the session.

Speakers: Al Tosti Arlington Finance Committee Chair and **John Trickey** Pelham Finance Committee

Association of Town Finance Committees 2015 Spring Workshops Registration

Registration:	
Name	Title:
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Municipality:	
Please register me for:May 14, BostonMay 14, LexingtonMay 28, Amherst	
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Please return this form by May 8 MMA Helena Berbano One Winthrop Square Boston, MA 02110 Fax: 617–695–1314 hberbano@mma.org	to: